(ii) non-residents.

However, such persons are required to file declarations for establishing their identity and non-residents are required to file copies of their passports.

(d) and (e) The relevant Income-tax Rule has been amended to exclude two-wheeled vehicles from the meaning of motor vehicle requiring quoting of PAN or GIR No. No other instructions have been issued to relax the above provisions relating the quoting of PAN or GIR No.

Share of States on excise duty, income tax, etc.

217. SHRI C.O. POULOSE: Will the MINISTER OF FINANCE be pleased to state the details of the share on Excise duty, Income tax, Excise revenues, Income Tax revenues before and after Reform and Revenue from State VAT, after Reforms State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA): Tax Reforms are an on-going process. State-wise share of Central Taxes and Duties, which are shareable with the States, i.e., Basic Excise Duties, Additional Excise Duties in lieu of sales-tax and Income-tax is given in Annexure-IV of the "Receipts Budget" which is one of the Budget documents presented to Parliament alongwith the Budget of each year. Information regarding revenue from State VAT is not available with the Ministry of Finance.

Affairs of the State Bank of Indore

218. SHRI K. M. SAIFULLAH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of letters from Members of Parliament received by him so far, regarding the affairs of the State Bank of Indore;

(b) the specific issues raised therein;

(c) the directions given by Government of each issue to the State Bank of Indore and the action so far taken by the Bank on each issue; and

(d) if the Bank has not complied with Government directions on any specific issue, the reasons advanced therefor and Government reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (BANKING, REVENUE AND INSURANCE) (SHRI KADAMBUR M.R. JANARTHANAN): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

World Bank's observaion on India's Anti-Poverty programmes

219. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the MINISTER OF FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in its report: "Reducing Poverty in India; Options for more effective public services", the World Bank has observed that India's anti-poverty programmes on health and education are yielding very little results in raising the living standards of the people in the domain of public health and education; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to make these programmes more result-oriented which would ensure better equality of services to the people in the matter of health and education?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA): (a) No, Sir. However, the central finding of the report emphasises the need for greater attention on improved delivery of education and health care to reduce poverty.

(b) The details of improvement in education and health care sectors are enumerated in Chapter 10 (Paragraphs 24 to 42) of Economic Survey 1997-98.

Assistance to N.E. States under Externally Aided Projects

220. SHRI KHAGEN DAS: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government provide assistance to the N.E. States under externally aided projects with 90 percent grant and 10 percent loan component;

(b) whether it is also a fact that assistance so arranged is treated as additionality to the State Plan; and

(c) the details of such projects sanctioned in the N.E. during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) A lump sum provision is made in the State's annual Plan funding for Additional Central Assistance (ACA) for externally aided projects. Actual release of ACA depends upon reimbursement claimed and received by the State Government from the external funding agency. Allocations of ACA under State Plans for N.E. States during the last three years are given below:

(Rs. in crores)

State	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
Arunachal Pradesh	—	—	—
Assam	80.00	80.00	80.00
Manipur	5.00	5.00	25.00
Meghalaya	—	—	30.00
Mizoram	15.00	—	5.00
Nagaland	15.00	15.00	37.24
Tripura	—	15.00	15.00

RBI Surveillance over Banks and Financial Institutions

221. SHRI ASHOK MITRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to strengthen the Reserve Bank of India's surveillance over banks and other financial institutions in view of the flaws afflicting the financial sector that have been responsible for the economic turmoil in a number of South Asian coutries as well as Japan;

(b) whether some banks, including the State Bank of India, have often tended in recent months to practise measure that have deviated from guidelines laid down by the RBI; and

(c) if so, the measures proposed to be undertaken to prevent the frittering away of the country's foreign exchange reserves because of activities of commercial banks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (BANKING, REVENUE AND INSURANCE) (SHRI KADAMBUR M. R. JANARTHANAN): (a) As a part of the ongoing attempts at reforming the financial sector, the Reserve Bank of India has been making continuous efforts to improve its surveillance over banks and other financial institutions. A Board for Financial Supervision has also been set up under the Reign of RBI for improved Supervision of Banks and Financial Institutions.

(b) There is no evidence to indicate that some banks have often tended in recent months to practice measures that have deviated from guidelines laid down by the Reserve Bank of India.

(c) Does not arise.